

CANTON MILITIA GOES TO AKRON TO SUPPRESS RIOT

RIOT AND BLOODSHED
IN STREETS OF AKRON.Police and Mayor Penned In the City Hall and
Mob Dynamites the Building.

SOUGHT A NEGRO WHO HAD ASSAULTED A LITTLE GIRL.

Negro Had Been Taken to Cleveland to Avoid the Mob, But
the Rioters Would Not Believe It—Destroyed City Hall
With Valuable Records—Mayor and Police Escape—
Child Killed In Its Mother's Arms—More
Trouble Feared Tonight.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

KILLED.

GLENN WADE, aged 11 years, spectator,
shot through the heart.

INJURED.

RHODA DAVIDSON, child in its mother's
arms, shot through the head.

FRED BORUWER, spectator fatally.

WILLIAM ROEPKE, fireman.

DAVID PHILLIPS, fireman.

A. L. MANCHESTER, fireman.

MINOR FRITZ, fireman.

JOHN DENIOUS, fireman.

A. EBERLY, fireman, shot through chest.

Injury serious.

W. H. RUSSELL, spectator.

FRANK STAIN, spectator.

JOHN E. WASHEN, prison keeper, as-
saulted on the street, head cut.

ARTHUR E. SPRAGUE, spectator.

JOHN AHERN, spectator.

E. GMELETZKI, spectator.

ALBERT GRANT, spectator.

FRANK SOURS, spectator.

THREE POLICEMEN, hit with brick-
bats. Injuries slight.Akron, O., Aug. 23.—Angry citizens,
Thursday evening, gathered around the
city prison for the determined pur-
pose of lynching Louis Peck, a colored
man, who earlier in the day confessed
to the authorities of having attempted
an assault upon Tina Mass, a little six
year old girl.Peck had been confined in the city
prison during the day but the authori-
ties feared that trouble of some sort
might arise and Peck was quietly taken
to Cleveland at 4 o'clock Thursday af-
ternoon by Sheriff Kelly and Prosecutor
Wanamaker.The mob would not believe that Peck
had been taken out of the city and so
they determined to search the city
prison. At 7:30 a rush was made by
the mob for the lower entrance of the
jail and the officers let them have their
own way, offering no resistance. A
committee was appointed and a search
was made of the prison. Peck could
not be found and when this announce-
ment was made the leaders of the mob
began yelling "to the jail." The county
jail is only two blocks from the city
prison and a rush was made for that
building.The jail was in charge of two depu-
ties who reluctantly turned over the
keys and a search of the jail began and
not finding the prisoner a search of the
court house was made which also
proved unsuccessful and then the in-
furiated mob returned to the city
prison. Mayor Young tried to talk to
the men and asked them to keep order
but he was hooted and jeered at and
was compelled to give up the attempt.By this time, which was nearly 10
o'clock, the excitement became more
intense and an attack upon the city
building was begun. Battering rams
were used on the front doors and bricks
and stones filled the air. The police
thinking they would scare the crowd
fired over their heads but this only in-
creased their fury. The mayor and the
officers took refuge in the inner room
and shots were exchanged with the
mob. In this melee Glen Wade, an 11
years old son of an employee of the
Empire hotel was shot through the
heart and died almost instantly. He
was an onlooker and was taking no
part in the mob's actions. The police
then fired into the mob and three un-
known men were shot in the legs.The rioters were now becoming more
and more excited and at midnight men
were hunting dynamite with which to
blow up the city buildings. Mayor
Young, seeing that the situation was
becoming more serious, telegraphed
Governor Nash for military protection
and Company C, of the Eighth regiment,
located at Canton, was ordered to the
scene.J. M. Davidson, a contractor, at-
tempted to drive down Main street, past
the city building. He was in an opencarriage and had his wife and little
girl with him. The child was asleep in
its mother's arms, when a shot from a
policeman's revolver killed it instantly.
The shot was directed at the mob which
had retired across the street, but it
passed through the little girl's head
from temple to temple. Neither the
father or mother were injured. Mrs.
Davidson is prostrated with grief at
her home at No. 111 North Allyn street.Shortly after the boy was shot some
one in the crowd fired a charge of buck-
shot, which lodged in the breast and
abdomen of Fred Vorwer, of No. 43
West North street, a young man 25
years of age. He was carried into
Enright's undertaking establishment and
was later removed to the city hospi-
tal in an ambulance. At 11 o'clock
Prison Keeper J. E. Washer appeared
in the street and was instantly as-
saulted. He was struck upon the head
with a brick and is now suffering from
a severe scalp wound. He is painfully,
but not seriously, injured.A man by the name of Mull, whose
first name and residence could not be
learned, was shot through the leg with
a pistol ball, and was also wounded in
the temple with a brick. By the time
the shooting had subsided the crowd
had retired to a respectful distance,
and the disturbance had somewhat
abated. The rioters continued to throw
stones at times, and the city building is
a complete wreck. Every window in
the building is broken and the doors
are all smashed in. No dynamite
could be secured by the mob.The mob gradually changed in its
character as the trouble increased, and
when the shooting occurred very few
respectable citizens were to be seen
among the rioters. The streets were
filled with spectators, several hundred
carriages blocked the streets at a short
distance from the scene of the trouble.

JEERED THE MILITIA.

Canton Company Was Not Mo-
lested But Was Declared
to Be Too Late.

From a Staff Correspondent.

Akron, Aug. 23.—When Canton mil-
itia company arrived here at 6:25 this
morning, after a fast run, it was ex-
pected by the boys that they would be
in the thick of a fight in short order,
and be it said to their credit they did
not shrink their duty. On the train
Captain Fisher further admonished his
men and gave specific orders that no
liquor should be drunk by any member
of the company, either on the train or
after Akron was reached.But the situation had simmered down
when we arrived. The mob had spent
its insane fury, had not accomplished
what it set out to do, had been respon-
sible for a number of deaths and had
only succeeded in burning up a lot of
its own property.There were less than a dozen persons
at the train when the Canton company
arrived. Captain Werner, of one of the
Akron companies, was at the depot
with Mayor Young.Captain Werner had made every at-
tempt to get his company out, but suc-
ceeded in securing only three of them.
Captain Blackburn could not get his
company out at all, and declined to
come out himself without written orders
from the mayor. As the mayor had been
penned up in the city hall for some

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ROSTER OF CO. C., EIGHTH REG'T. CANTON, OHIO,
As It Responded to a Call to Suppress the Riot at Akron.

Capt. M. A. FISHER.	Privates, A. H. CLARK.
Lieut. AUGUST DOMER.	W. E. CORREY.
Sergeant, J. W. HOLMAN.	W. L. CHALFANT.
" H. M. GREENAWALD.	W. BEVINGTON.
" FRED T. METZ.	NEAL DAUGHERTY.
" FRED E. STOKEY.	ED. FOHL.
" HUGH E. CLAY.	C. HEXAMER.
Corporal, H. KUHLMAN.	R. KAISER.
" W. A. MUMAW.	J. HERDLICKA.
" GEO. H. WHITE.	J. HERDLICKA.
" R. K. ATTERHOLT.	WM. MONROE.
" E. B. BATES.	H. A. FERGUSON.
" J. S. VERNIER.	CHAS. NEISCHWITZ.
" H. E. BORDNER.	FRED PENNOCK.
Musician, A. M. RUSSELL.	C. PEASLEY.
Artificer, GEORGE LONGLEY.	J. T. SHORTHILL.
Cook, R. L. BRESSLER.	W. T. STONE.
Privates, WALTER BLYTHE.	L. G. SMITH.
" W. S. BALDOCK.	F. A. UNGERSHECK.
" PHILIP BIERY.	H. J. WOLFERTH.
" H. L. CLAY.	GEO. I. WRIGHT.
	C. R. GRAHAM.

CHIEF OF POLICE INSANE
UNDER THE AWFUL ORDEAL.He Acted Like a Madman And Is Said to Have Escaped
From the City.

MUTTERINGS AGAINST HIM ARE STILL HEARD.

Would Have Been Lynched, In All Probability, If He Had Been Caught During
the Night—Company C Will Remain Till the Trouble Is Over—Stood
the Brunt of the Work Till the Arrival of the Fourth Regiment
—Captain Fisher's Level Head—Saloons Closed.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Akron, Aug. 23.—12 (noon).—Captain
Fisher called on Col. Adams at 11
o'clock. Col. Adams directed that
Captain Fisher report to Colonel Pot-
ter, of the Fourth, who has charge of
the distribution of troops. Col. Adams
informed me that Company C would
not get away tonight."We will keep all companies under
arms and all troops here over night,
at least," said Colonel Adams.A thousand people were still about
the ruins at noon today and as many
more crowded the streets within two
blocks. They indulged in no bad talk,
more crowded the streets within two
made as to what would be done with
Chief Harrison, if he were found. A
dozen police were on duty under
shadow of the military, but the beats
in other portions of the city were de-
serted.Company C had the most difficult job
of the lot this morning. The boys
marched into town in the

FACE OF THE JEERS

of the crowd, not knowing what to ex-
pect. By order of Captain Fisher there
was no talking to the crowd during
the forenoon. No matter what a by-
stander said the guardsman had no
answer. Captain Fisher was very an-
xious to stay as long as the other troops
do."We want to stay as long as possi-
ble," said the captain.The awful strain to which Chief Har-
rison was subjected during Wednesday
night is said to have been too much for
his mind and he

BECAME VIOLENTLY INSANE

and escaped from the city in a buggy
at daylight Thursday morning, and was
driving south at breakneck speed. His
whereabouts at this time is unknown.
Chief Harrison was 65 years of age
and was considered a good official. He
has been chief of police ever since that
office was established in this city. He
escaped with the other officers last
night at 1 o'clock and hid in a box car
in the rear of the American Cereal
company mills, but being afraid of cap-
ture by the mob if he stayed there he
went to Captain Billow's undertaking
rooms and this was the last seen of
him until this morning. While in his
office, it is said, Chief Harrison was
acting like a man insane.He was a soldier in the civil war,
being captain or artillery.

During the excitement following the

shooting, the property loss was almost
wholly lost sight of. The total loss
was fully \$200,000. Half a dozen small
stores were destroyed and in Columbia
hall there was a large stock of reapers
and harvesting machinery which is a
total loss.At 9 o'clock this morning Mayor
Young issued a proclamation, closing
all saloons. The Fourth regiment
went into camp at noon in the court
house yard.The full Akron companies, F and B,
are now at their armories and will be
held there all night.

TAKING NO CHANCES.

Akron, Aug. 23.—2:30 p. m.—At 1
o'clock there were not 400 persons about
the city building. The Fourth reg-
iment was still on guard and the pros-
pects of trouble, at least before night,
were more remote than ever, although
there was plenty of incendiary talk.
The notion of mob law again this eve-
ning was generally discredited by the
military authorities. Col. Adams said:
"There is little chance for trouble
tonight, but we are taking no chances.
We will make a display of military
force that will awe any mob."At noon it was stated that the munici-
pal authorities had the names of a
score of people who had been active in
last night's attack on the city building.
At least half a dozen men stood on the
roof of the Beacon Journal office, op-
posite the city building, with revolvers
and some of the Remingtons from the
hardware store and fired at the barri-
caded building as rapidly as they could
load. There was no pretense of secrecy.
The fact that the persons are not all
under arrest this morning is pretty good
evidence of the thoroughly rattled con-
dition of the city government. For an
hour the crowd had surged about the
building under the glare of the electric
light, firing whenever any of the occu-
pants showed their heads, but this
morning everybody was in complete ig-
norance of the identity of any of the
attacking parties.

W. R. McCORD.

QUIET THURSDAY NIGHT.

A Drizzling Rain That Had a
Dampening Effect on
the Rioters.Akron, Aug. 24.—There was no dis-
turbance during Thursday night. The
mob had spent its fury and it would
have been an enthusiastic rioter who
would have got out and spoiled his
straw hat in the rain that fell through-
out the entire evening. The militia
companies remained under cover.
Some were at the court house and
others in their armories. The Canton
company remained in doors. The po-
lice emerged from their hiding places
and, in squads of four or five, ordered
small boys and people waiting for cars,
to move on.RESPONDED TO A CALL
FOR DUTY AT AKRON.Canton Young Men Don Their Uniforms and
Go to Suppress a Riot.

ONLY MILITIA COMPANY TO RECEIVE AN EARLY CALL,

And They Appreciated the Responsibility on Their Shoulders
But Did Not Flinch—Captain Fisher Receives the Orders
By Telephone From Governor Nash and Hustles
His Company Together and Takes a Special
Train For the Scene of Trouble.Company C, of the Eighth regiment,
is in Akron, specially ordered by Gov-
ernor Nash, to assist in preserving the
peace.Details of the occurrences there are
carried by the News-Democrat's spe-
cial report.The company went under most trying
circumstances. Report had a great
mob rioting and the Governor of Ohio
assured Captain Fisher that his com-
pany would be the only body of mil-
itia on the scene till 10 o'clock. There
was no faltering, however, and every
man responded and did his duty.

FISHER NOTIFIED.

It was 1:45 Thursday morning when
Mayor Young, of Akron, caught Capt.
Fisher, of C company, by telephone at
his home, 1248 Cleveland avenue."We want your company under arms
to await orders from the governor to
come to Akron, captain," said the
mayor. "It's riot duty, so come pre-
pared for real duty.""I have no orders," objected Captain
Fisher."Get your company at your armory—
I'll get your orders for you," came the
imperative response.Captain Fisher took matters in his
own hands. At 2:15 he got the ear of
the governor at the executive residence
in Columbus. Capt. Fisher asked the
governor if Company C was wanted at
Akron.

"THE FOURTH REGIMENT,

in camp here at Columbus, is ordered to
Akron, and will leave here on a special,"
said the governor. "They will get to
Akron at 10 o'clock. Meantime I want
your company to go up to Akron de-
tached. You are the only company of
the Eighth that is called. You will be
the only military force on the scene
until probably 10 o'clock. You can
consider this a verbal order to get under
arms."Captain Fisher, in five minutes had
four messengers started out after his
non-commissioned officers, and in 30
minutes Sergeant Holman, two other
sergeants and three corporals had re-
ported to him.

THE COMPANY ASSEMBLED

rapidly at the armory in the Grand op-
era house block. At 4 o'clock, 42 men
had reported. All was bustle on the
third floor of the opera house building.
A baggage detail was sent out by Ser-
geant Holman and teams started for
the Valley depot with the company's
baggage. Capt. Fisher had 1,000 rounds
of ammunition, and he arranged to
issue all of this to his men. "We will
carry all the cold lead we've got, in our
belts," said the captain.The first train that could be secured
was on the Valley, at 5:45. At exactly
5 o'clock "assembly" was sounded, and
C company lined up

FOR ROLL CALL.

The roll showed Captain Fisher and
Lieutenant Domer and 42 enlisted men
present. Lieutenant Chamberlain is
not with the company, having resigned
two weeks ago.There were an abundance of humor-
ous incidents during the early morn-
ing hours. The corporals went out
after their squads, and at some of thesoldiers' homes their reception was
anything but pleasant. Pa and ma
generally had some difficulty in being
convinced that it was necessary for the
soldier to be awakened right off. They
objected to sending a boy of theirs on
such a mission. At one or two homes
the energetic non-commissioned officers
were compelled to all but

COMMIT BURGLARY

before the soldier could be awakened.
The men came straggling in by ones
and twos and were immediately sent
out after their comrades. The C com-
pany boys are all pretty conveniently
located. Only two or three live out-
side of a radius of two miles from the
square; most of them much nearer.A company of the guard could not
have been caught in better shape for a
"hurry call" to arms than was Captain
Fisher's company Thursday morning.
The company had returned from camp
only ten days ago; guns were cleaned
and shining and the equipment was
all in the lockers ready to put on. Dawn
found more than half the company, in
the armory, soldier clothes on and

EQUIPMENT ALL READY.

Captain Fisher said he only regretted
that the time was not an hour or so
shorter, for his company was in splen-
did shape to break records at turning
out. It would have been possible to
have had the company aboard cars in
an hour and forty minutes from the
time the captain received his orders.
As it was the boys had more time than
was necessary.

COMPANY CAUTIONED.

At 5:15 the company left the armory.
Before leaving they had received their
instructions from Captain Fisher. The
captain is always ready to fight Span-
iards and other "varmints" but he did
not relish shooting at American citi-
zens, though always ready to do his
duty. He said plainly what he wanted
his company to do. Said he:"Now, boys, this is not a pleasure
trip. We are going to Akron on busi-
ness. We do not know what our re-
ception there will be and we must be
prepared to carry our responsibility
with some degree of care. I want no
shouting when we get to Akron. If
there is a crowd at the depot when we
get there, I want you to attend strictly
to orders and make no demonstration.
And don't load your guns. Ammu-
nition will be issued to you, but do not,
one of you, load a gun till you get
orders. We do not propose to go into
a crowd up there

WITH LOADED RIFLES.

till orders are given. And don't a sin-
gle man of you fire a gun till you get
orders. We don't want any mistakes
made. Now observe these cautions and
attend strictly to orders."This little speech indicated that Cap-
tain Fisher would exercise great care
in the movements of his company and
that he was not going to Akron to
shoot any citizens if he could help it.
The issuing of ammunition indicated
that he was not going for fun either,
and would protect himself and his com-
pany if necessity required it.The company took a rout step to the
Valley depot, going out East Eighth
from the armory to Market, up Market
to the square and thence on Tuscar-
awas street to the depot. Many early
risers who had not heard of the Akron
affair, were surprised to see a body
of militiamen, fully armed and equip-
ped, tramping the streets of Canton
and many questions were asked and
were all satisfactorily answered by the
small crowd of citizens who had col-
lected at the armory and who followed
the soldiers to the train.

DIDN'T RELISH IT.

Arriving at the depot it was found

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